

INFORMATION PAPER

ON

EC-130J COMMANDO SOLO CONVERSION

1. Background. The conversion replaces eight (8) EC-130E aircraft with eight (8) EC-130J aircraft. The conversion plan calls for three aircraft dedicated for airborne psychological operations broadcast and five aircraft capable of receiving a roll-on/roll-off modular psychological broadcast system. The plan is 70 percent executed. Remaining tasks include building three roll-on/roll-off PSYOP broadcasts systems and completing modifications to the last three aircraft, all of which will cost \$265M. Of this amount, only \$126M is currently funded.

2. Requirement. USAF C-130J roadmap, EC-130J ORD

3. Impact if not funded. Inability to meet current concept of operations for employment of airborne psychological broadcasts. Further extending the last three (3) EC-130E aircraft will require at least \$20M in depot maintenance costs. The additional \$139M funding is critical in order to field the last three EC-130Js prior to the scheduled retirement dates EC-130E aircraft, now 40 years-old.

4. Units Impacted.
193 SOW Middletown, PA

5. Contractor. Rockwell-Collins Dallas, TX; Lockheed-Martin Palmdale, CA

6. Cost.

Units Required	Unit Cost*	Program Cost
3	\$46,300,000	\$138,900,000